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### National Library of Medicine Resources Pertinent to Community Health Workers

#### MedlinePlus

The National Library of Medicine's main consumer health resource. With over 1,000 health topics, this is a place for consumers to access trusted health information and for providers to locate patient education materials. The entire site is available in both Spanish and English and easy-to-read materials are clearly marked.

#### HealthReach

Contains health education material for consumers in a wide variety of languages. Resources include brochures, fact sheets and videos. Healthcare providers can also access cultural information and best practices.

# **ToxTown**

Easy to understand environmental information for the general public, community leaders and educators. Provides information on chemical exposures and how individuals can reduce their risk. Also links to other reliable online resources about the environment.

#### LactMed

Provides information on drugs and other chemicals to which breastfeeding mothers may be exposed. All the information provides is from scientific literature and fully referenced.

#### **PHPartners**

A resource dedicated to helping the public health workforce find and use information effectively. Can be used to locate toolkits, campaigns, funding, continuing education, and other information relevant to public health professionals.

#### **CHW toolkits and resources**

<u>Community Health Worker Resources</u> (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention)

Resources from programs across the CDC that relate Community Health Workers. These resources are for both CHWs and those who work with them.

<u>Clinical to Community Connections- Community Health Workers</u> (Association of State and Territorial Health Officials)

Resources for state health agencies on the use of Community Health Workers (CHWs), including those related to financing, certification/licensure, and examples of work in states to support CHWs.

State Community Health Worker Models (National Academy for State Health Policy)

Shows state activity to integrate Community Health Workers into health care systems, including areas such as financing, education and training and certification. This resource also provides links to state CHW associations and other organizations working on CHW issues in states.

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# CHW toolkits and resources (cont.)

<u>Rural Community Health Workers Toolkit</u> (Rural Health Information Hub)

Consists of several modules that can help rural communities develop Community Health Worker Programs. This resource also includes examples of successful CHW programs.

### Community Health Worker Research/ Effectiveness/ Interventions

<u>Community Health Workers</u> (County Health Rankings and Roadmaps)

Summary of the overall effectiveness of CHW interventions and links to research.

<u>A Community Health Worker Model to Address Childhood Asthma: Perspectives of Program Participants</u> (New York Academy of Medicine)

<u>Publications from the Penn Center for Community Health Workers</u> (Penn Center for Community Health Workers)

<u>The Community Guide</u>- a collection of evidence-based findings from the Community Preventive Services Taskforce

- <u>Diabetes Management: Interventions Engaging Community Health Workers</u>
- Cardiovascular Disease: Interventions Engaging Community Health Workers
- Diabetes Prevention: Interventions Engaging Community Health Workers

<u>Preventing Chronic Disease</u>- a free, online, peer-reviewed journal from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

- Evaluation of Healthy Fit: A Community Health Worker Model to Address Hispanic Health Disparities
   Community Health Workers as Allies in Hypertension Self-Management and Medication Adherence in the United States, 2014
- Randomized Controlled Trial of a Community Health Worker Self-Management Support Intervention Among Low-Income Adults With Diabetes, Seattle, Washington, 2010–2014
- Strategies to Improve the Integration of Community Health Workers Into Health Care Teams: "A Little Fish in a Big Pond"
- <u>Casting a Wider Net: Engaging Community Health Worker Clients and Their Families in Cancer Prevention</u>

## **National CHW Organizations/ Sections**

American Public Health Association Community Health Worker Section

National Association of Community Health Workers